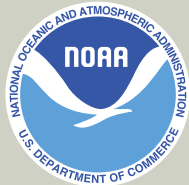


An update on the

# Joint Management Plan Review

Monterey Bay  
National Marine Sanctuary  
Advisory Council



June 3, 2005





# JMPR Presentation Overview



## 1. Pacific Fishery Management Council Recommendations

## 2. Timeline for Public Review





### **National Marine Sanctuaries Act - Section 304(a)(5)**

**Applies:** When considering regulations that may affect fishing

**Purpose:** Provide Fishery Management Council with opportunity to prepare draft fishing regulations

**Issue:** Comprehensive protection of Davidson Seamount and fauna below 3000 feet in region, including restriction of fishing

**Decision:** April 7th, 2005 - Tacoma, Washington

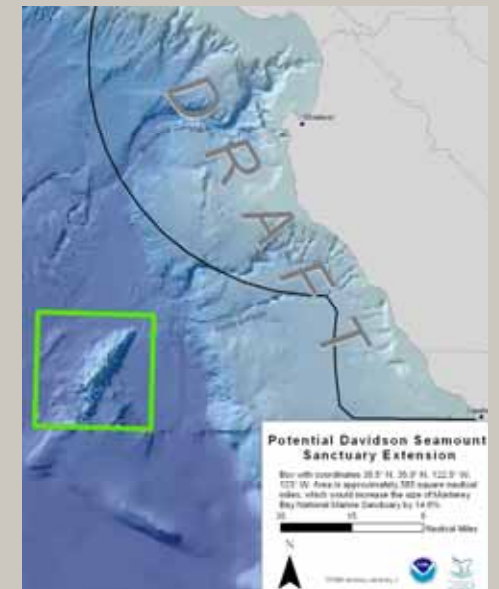
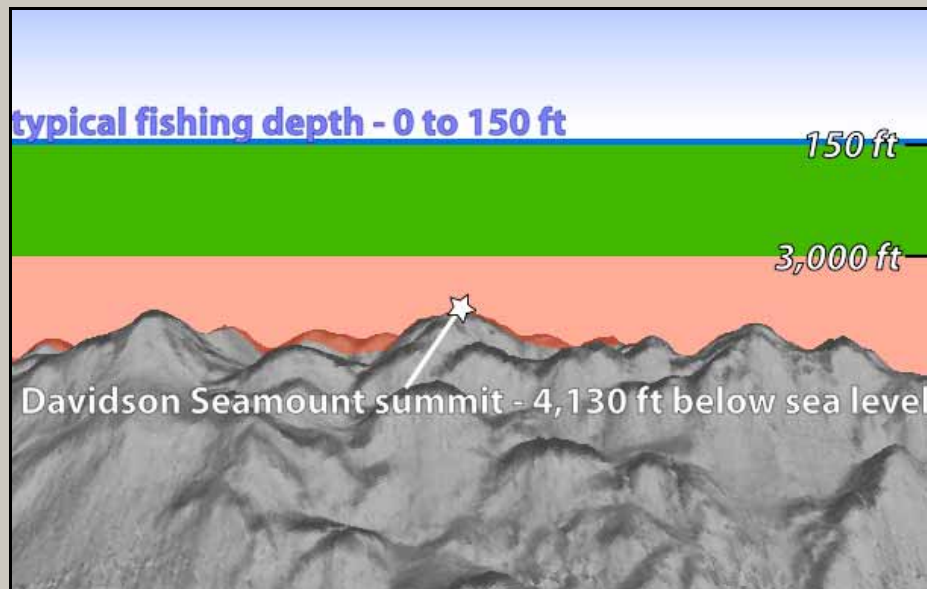


# JMPR: Proposed Changes



## Davidson Seamount - Proposed Regulations

- No disturbance of seabed by any means
- No disturbance, collection, or take of resources below 3000 feet in the area, including fishing





## Pacific Fishery Management Council



- **Unanimous support for inclusion of Davidson Seamount and the goals and objectives**
- **Declined opportunity to draft regulations**
- **Potential protection of Davidson Seamount through Essential Fish Habitat process under Magnuson Stevens Act.**
- **Support authority to prohibit release or introduction of non-native species**



# Reply to Pacific Fishery Management Council

**May 25, 2005 NMSP ⇒ PFMC**

- **Acknowledge PFMC timeline to identify Essential Fish Habitat alternatives at June meeting**
- **Acknowledge regulatory strategies will be developed later in EFH process**
- **Provide technical advice regarding EFH alternatives that can meet NMS goals and objectives for Davidson / Cordell**





## **JMPR**

- **Draft Environmental Impact Statement Revised by NEPA Contractor**
- **Complete Revisions to Mgmt Plan, DEIS, Proposed Rule**
- **Review by NOAA General Counsel, Enforcement, Fisheries Service**

## **NMFS - EFH**

- **June 15, 2005 - PFMC Considers Groundfish EFH Alternatives**
- **Identify and Develop Regulatory Strategies**





# JMPR Schedule



## Public Review and Comment:

### Document Release

- Complete in July
- NOAA Clearance in August and September (8 week process)
- Printing and Distribution
- So....October ?



### SAC Review

On JMPR Current Schedule -  
Review at Meeting in December





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☆ Bubblegum Coral (*Paragorgia*)

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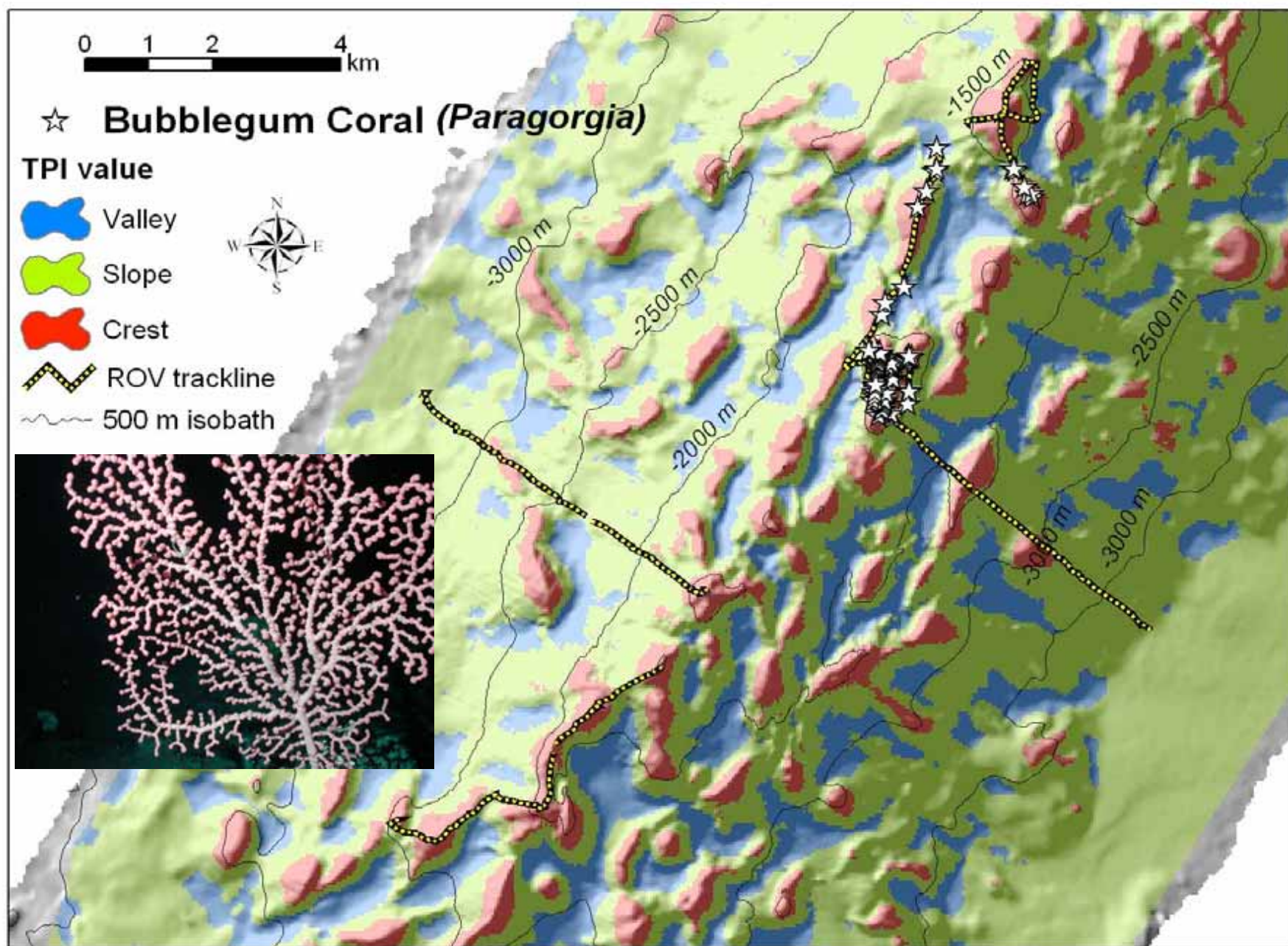
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# Davidson Seamount

## View from the Southwest

